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Subject.

Memorial of the Adi-Dravidas for special representation on the Municipal Commission.

Nomination of Mr. S.L.Narainswamy Pillay a member of the Adi-Dravida Community, as an Additional Commissioner of the Municipal Commission.

Previous References.

Later References.

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14-3-2-36

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Petition dated the 27th February, 1933, from Mr.B.G. Rajagopal Mudaliar, No.8, Fruit Street, C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

Mr.Rajagopala Mudaliar, Vice-President of the Municipal Commission, requests that the Hon'ble the Resident ~~might~~ may be pleased to receive a deputation consisting of 4 members of the Audi-Dravida community and himself as their spokesman to lay before the Resident the claims of the community for seats to be reserved for them on the Municipal Commission.

At present, there are 21 elected Commissioners consisting of 6 Europeans and Anglo-Indians, 6 Muhammadans, 8 Hindus and others and one Indian Christian. At a meeting of the Municipal Commission held on the 23rd February, 1933, Mr.Rajagopala Mudaliar moved a proposition that ~~xxxx~~ the present number of seats on the Commission be increased by two during the ensuing general election and that these two additional seats be reserved for Audi-Dravidas. The proposition was, however, put to vote and lost, 6 voting for and 12 against it.

During the 1930 election, when the number of Muhammadan seats on the Commission were increased from 4 to 6, two representations were received, one from Hindus and the other from Audi-Dravidas, urging the claims of the latter for special representation on the Commission. Mr.Cooke preferred not to offer any views on those representations as he said that he felt in an akward position as the matter would come up before him as P.M.C. Major Loch expressed the opinion that he doubted whether the Audi-Dravida portion of the population in the C. & M. Station had any real claim to seats on the Commissinn. The Hon'ble the Resident ordered the representations to be filed ; vide

paras /

paras 37 and 38 of the notes at flag C.

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According to the 1931 Census, Adikarnatakas (presumably the same as Adi-Drayidas) number 26,611 out of a total population of 1,34,113 in the Station.

(10)

Submitted for orders. Mr. Rajagopala Mudaliar requests that the Hon'ble the Resident ~~might~~ may be pleased to receive the deputation before he leaves for Coorg.

(From para 6)

(11) May send a/o G P.C for remarks.

28/2

Resdt.

2.3

Sept. 28/2

Resdt.

OFFICE * BIVL * STATION, BANGALORE

The President, Municipal Commission, C & M.Stn. U.O. No. 1979 Dated 2nd March, 1933.

(12) GT 29/33 DP 4 3/33

Should be grateful if the Resident would be willing to receive and hear the deputation before he leaves for Coorg. Naturally he will not expect a statement of policy at the interview: he will take up only a few minutes of the Resident's time but he would be most grateful for the opportunity to represent their case personally.

H. 3.33

Resdt. 4/3

Secy/Y.D

(13) I will see them on Tuesday at 10 a.m. Ins cases which he prefers

O.C.H.
4.3

(14) Submitted to Collector for information and favour of return.

(15) A draft to Mr.Rajagopala Mudaliar is also submitted for approval.

4-3-33

(From para.12)

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Collector.

(16) Lean. Ramlu shall be present. Issue the draft. K.E.

5-3-33

(K) S.N.5. Issued No.2055, dated 5-3-1933.

(17) File resubmitted to Resident.

6.3.33

6/3/33

(18) See the Deputation. Their cases I know. They will write in officially. O.C.H. 7/3

Resdr.

(19) S.N.5

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Please see paragraph 18 ante. An official representation from Audi-Dravidas may be awaited.

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The file may be submitted to Secretary for information, on his return from Delhi.

7.3.33

Secy

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S.N.7

(21)

Rule 2 of Notfn. No. 37 dated 16-4-28.

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(A + B)

S.Ns. 85 & 103 347A-1903.

By inserting sub-section 8(4): S.N.103 B 347A-03.

S.N. 4 + 11 (C) + (D) 248-30.

(2)

Letter dated the 21st March, 1933, from Mr. B.G. Rajagopal Mudaliar, No.8, Fruit Street, Bangalore.

The Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, is divided into six wards or divisions for the purposes of elections to the Municipal Commission. The electorate of the Station was originally divided into three classes - (i) Europeans and Anglo-Indians, (ii) Hindus and others and (iii) Muhammadans - and each of these three classes was granted six seats on the Commission to represent the six divisions.

Later on, the number of Muhammadan Commissioners was reduced from 6 to 3 and that of the Hindu Commissioners increased from six to eight. In 1924, the Muhammadans were given an additional seat and the Indian Christians, who were till then merged with 'Hindus and others' were also allowed to return a representative of their own on the Commission. Provision was also made at the time in the Bangalore Municipal Law authorising the Resident to nominate, if necessary, a person to be an additional Commissioner for such period as may be specified by him. In 1930, the number of Muhammadan seats was again raised by two, thus bringing their total to the original six. There have not been any changes in the constitution since then.

The Commission therefore now consists of

(i)	6	Commrs. elected by Europeans & Anglo-Indians,
(ii)	8	Commrs. elected by Hindus & others,
(iii)	6	Commrs. elected by Muhammadans and
(iv)	1	Commr. elected by Indian Christians
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in addition to

(v)	1	President (Collector),
(vi)	1	Medical Officer (Residency Surgeon),
(vii)	6	Ex-Officio Commrs. *nominated by Resdt., &
(viii)	1	Commr. elected by B'Lore Trades Assocn.
	30	Total.

*1. Commr. of Police,
2. Inspr. of Schools,
3. Ex. Enginner,
4. Garrison Engineer,
5. S.S.O., &
6. Officer Commanding British Stn. Hospital.

The Resident has not so far exercised his power of nominating an additional Commissioner under section 8(4) of the Bangalore Municipal Law.

The Depressed Classes, who number about 27,000 out of a total population of 1,34,113 according to the 1931 Census, are at present classed among 'Hindus & others' for purposes of Municipal elections. The 'Hindus and others' number about 74,000 and have, as stated above, eight seats on the Commission out of a total of 21 seats to be filled in by election.

In 1930, when the number of Muhammadan seats was raised from 4 to 6, two representations were received, one from Hindus and the other from Adi-Dravidas*, both urging the claims of the latter for special representation on the Commission. Mr. Cooke, to whom these representations were sent for remarks, preferred not to offer any views on them, as he said that he felt himself in an awkward position as the matter would come up before him as P.M.C. Major Loch expressed the opinion that he doubted whether the Adi-Dravida portion of the population in the C. & M. Station had any real claim to seats on the Commission and Sir Richard Burke ordered the representations to be filed.

The question of the representation of the Depressed Classes on the Municipal Commission was next raised at an ordinary meeting of the Municipal Commission held on the 23rd February, 1933, when Mr. B.G. Rajagopala Mudaliar, the Vice-President of the Commission, moved a proposition that the present number of seats on the Commission be increased by two during the ensuing general election and that those two additional seats be reserved for the Adi-Dravidas. The proposition was not recommended by the Standing Committee of the Commission, and on being

put

*Depressed Classes.

S.Ns.19 & 20
248-1930.

Para 37 of the notes in colln. containing G & H.

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put to vote, was lost, 6 voting for and 12 against it.

On the 7th March,1933, Sir Richard Burke received a deputation consisting of Mr.B.G.Rajagopal Mudaliar and four members of the Adi-Dravida community when they laid before him the claims of the Adi-Dravidas for special representation on the Municipal Commission and handed over to him a statement setting out their case. They were asked by Sir Richard to write to him officially. Mr.Cooke was also present on the occasion. Sir Richard does not appear to have made any statement of policy at the time.

The official representation, which Mr.Rajagopal Mudalia has since forwarded, is signed by over 40 members of the Depressed Classes, and is practically a copy of the note which the Deputation gave Sir Richard on the 7th March, 1933. The request made in the memorial is that the number of seats on the Commission might be increased at least by two and that those two seats might be reserved for the Adi-Dravidas, who might also be allowed to continue to exercise their right to vote and to stand for election in the general Hindu wards as at present.

The grounds on which the above request is made are:-

(i) That the number of Hindu seats on the Commission is disproportionate and inadequate when compared with those allotted to other communities.

(ii) That the number of Muhammadan Commissioners was increased from 3 to 4 in 1924 and again from 4 to 6 in 1930, but no additional seats were given to the Hindus during all these years.

(iii) That the population of the Adi-Dravidas in the Station, who number about 30,000* out of 1,34,113 inhabitants, justifies their being allowed special representation on the Municipal Commission.

(iv) That though the Adi-Dravidas are at present classed among 'Hindus and others' for the purposes of election, their present degraded position in society prevents their capturing any seat on the Commission in open elections.

*26,611 only according to the 1931 census figures.

(v) That it is absolutely necessary for their social and civic advancement that they should have special representation on the Municipal Commission.

(vi) That in the Madras Presidency and Mysore State, seats have been specifically reserved for Adi-Dravidas.

(21)

Points (i) & (ii). The question of giving increased representation to the Hindus was raised both in 1924 and in 1930 when the number of Muhammadan seats was increased, but on both occasions, it was considered that the Hindu community was already amply represented and that there was no ground for further increase in the number of seats allotted to them. The Adi-Dravidas, as Hindus, cannot, therefore, have a legitimate grievance if Hindus ~~as such~~ are not given additional representation.

Para 5 of I.N.25 (A) 1947-48
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Para 37+38 of notes at I

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Point (iii). Numerically, the Depressed Classes in the Station are sufficiently strong to warrant their special representation on the Commission. But, it is doubtful whether they would have any such claim if representation on the Commission is to be based on the tax-paying capacity of the community or its voting strength. Actual figures are not available, but it is fairly certain that the Depressed Classes will compare very unfavourably with the other communities in both these respects.

(23)

Points (iv) to (vi). The present social and economic position of the Adi-Dravidas is so low that they appear to be perfectly correct in saying that they would not, under existing conditions, be able to capture a single Hindu seat in open election. If, therefore, their claim for protection by special representation is conceded, the only method by which it could be secured to them, at present, is by reservation, as has been done in Madras and Mysore.

Whether

Whether the Adi-Dravida portion of the population in the C. & M. Station has any real claim to seats on the Commission or not, there is no doubt that, in view of the great importance which the Depressed Classes question has assumed all over India in recent years, any gesture on the part of the Government in their favour, at the present moment, is sure to be appreciated by the public in general, both in the Station and outside. Communities other than Hindus might perhaps feel aggrieved on the ground that the allocation of special seats to the Depressed Classes will virtually add to the number of Hindu seats on the Commission. But such considerations, which are inevitable, need not perhaps be taken serious notice of when they come in conflict with measures undertaken in the larger interests of public policy.

If, in the circumstances, the Hon'ble the Resident is pleased to consider the request made by the Depressed Classes favourably, the next question is how many seats should be given to them and how they should be filled. They ask for two, but all things considered, it seems sufficient if they are given only one, for the present at any rate. The Indian Christians, who also number above 20,000, and who have certainly a larger electorate than the Depressed Classes, get only one seat on the Commission. In addition, the Depressed Classes, unlike the Indian Christians, will continue to enjoy their right to vote and to stand for election in the general Hindu wards.

A seat for the Adi-Dravidas can be secured in one of the three following ways:-

(i) By increasing the total number of Commissioner by one and reserving the extra seat for the Depressed Classes;

(ii) By reserving for them one of the 8 existing Hindu seats

(iii)

(iii) By the Resident nominating a member of the Depressed Classes under the powers vested in him by section 8(4) of the Bangalore Municipal Law.

Proposal (i). The enlargement of the Commission (which is to be effected by amending section 8(1) of the Municipal Law) requires the sanction of the Government of India. The process is involved and would necessarily take time. Moreover, when vital questions relating to the future of the Assigned Tract and its Municipal Commission are engaging the attention of the Government, it seems inopportune to go up to them now with a proposal of this kind.

Proposal (ii). To deprive the Hindus of one of their existing seats does not appear to be quite fair to them, and is sure to arouse a volume of public criticism.

Proposal (iii) appears to be the most suitable for the present occasion. In fact, this unused provision of law - section 8(4) - seems to have been inserted with a view to meet contingencies of this kind. Under this sub-section, the Resident can - on the recommendation of the Collector or otherwise as he thinks fit - nominate any suitable Adi-Dravida candidate to be an additional Commissioner for such period as may be specified by him and the person so appointed shall have all the powers of a Commissioner. Another advantage of this suggestion is that, as the seat is filled by nomination by Government, instead of by election by the Hindus (Depressed Classes), there is likely to be less criticism from the non-Hindu communities.

The only objection to this course appears to be that the Adi-Dravidas might perhaps feel that they are not allowed to choose their own representative and are forced to accept a candidate nominated by the Government.

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But, in view of their present backward social condition and also their low level of political consciousness, it will be better in their own interests if the Government were to elect a suitable representative for them from amongst them. The appointment can, in the first instance, be made for a period of, say, one year, and extended, if necessary.

(41)

If approved, the Collector and P.M.C. may see these notes u.o. and offer his remarks. He was present at the Residency when Sir Richard Burke received the Deputation.

K. Nayar
30-5-33

Sec'y
4/6

A solution if one is required would be seem to be that suggested in para 36(iii) of these notes. In spite of the Govt's reluctance to part with views on the question (see para 26 of these notes) I think he should do so if Govt as P.M.C. at any rate as Collector of the Ct. Station.

In orders.

27/5

Resident

The Office have put up a good note.

I believe that this question was recently debated in the Commission. If so I should like to read the proceedings & to know on what grounds the prohibition was opposed and carried. Office might look on this point.

I should like to know what the electorate is of (1) Hindus & others (2) Mahomedans (3) Indian Christians - and (4) Europeans & Anglo-Indians, and (5) of Hindu-Dravidas separately. Also, if this information is readily available, the number of persons in each of the 5 communities mentioned above who are eligible for election as Commissioners.

On what grounds if any other than those set forth in para 3 of our letter to the Govt dept., No. 4284, of 27.5.1924, were Indian Christians given separate representation on the Commission?

S. 65
347A-03

I should be glad of further information regarding reservation in Mundas & Lhupras mentioned in para 33 of letter & para 12 of enclosure to P.O.C.

The file should be returned to me without undue delay.

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8/6/25.

Para 43 ante.

A copy of the proceedings of the meeting of the Municipal Commission held on the 23rd February 1933, at which Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar's proposition regarding the reservation of seats for the Adi-Dravidas was discussed, is submitted. It will be seen from the debates that the Commission was generally in favour of reserving two seats for the Adi-Dravidas, but discussion centred round the question whether the Adi-Dravidas should be given 2 seats in addition to the 8 seats now allotted to 'Hindus and others' or whether 2 of the existing 8 Hindu seats should be reserved exclusively for the Adi-Dravidas. Those Commissioners who opposed Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar's proposition conceded that it was only fair that the Adi-Dravidas should have their own representatives on the Commission, but their point was that an equitable solution of the problem was for the Hindus to set apart 2 of their 8 seats for the representatives of the Adi-Dravidas. It was urged by them that the Adi-Dravidas were Hindus and in fact formed the major portion of the Hindu population in the Station: They had therefore a right to a share of the 8 seats allotted to 'Hindus & others', and, if, on account of their degraded position, they had no chance of one of their own members being elected to the Commission in open competition with the other sections of the Hindu community, it was only fair that the Hindus should give 2 of their seats to the representatives of their depressed brethren. This point was further stressed by one of the speakers who argued that, if either the Europeans or the Anglo-Indians, who were clubbed together for purposes of election to the Municipal Commission, asked for separate representation and the Commission agreed, it was most unlikely that extra seats would be allotted to them;

them; all that they would be prepared to do would be to divide the existing 6 seats between the two sections. Similarly, if the Depressed Classes were going to be separated from 'Hindus and others', and treated as a separate community for the purpose of election, seats for them should be found from the number allotted to the parent community from which they proposed to branch off. The Hindus, moreover, had 8 seats on the Commn., as against 6 each for (i) Muhammadans and (ii) Europeans and Anglo-Indians and one for the Indian Christians. The Hindus should not therefore grudge to give their two extra seats to the Depressed Classes, who were their own kith and kin. With regard to this point, it was contended by the mover of the proposition that, if there was any question of allotting seats to the Hindus, either on the basis of strength of population or on the tax-paying capacity, they (the Hindus) should have 14 seats. His case, however, was that, apart from all other considerations, the Depressed Classes deserved special treatment in view of the peculiar disabilities they were labouring under. The question of communal representation, he said, was beside the point.

Another point raised both by Mr.Abdul Latheef ~~and Major Waters~~ was that, if the Adi-Dravidas were given special seats, other sections such as Jains, Marwaris and Parsees, who were also included among 'Hindus and others' would also claim special representation. This argument was met by Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar by remarking that such an objection could never be entertained seriously as the number of people falling under those other sections of the Hindu community was far too few to justify special representation. Moreover, those people, he stated, were not labouring under the same disabilities as the Adi-Dravidas and they had, unlike the Adi-Dravidas, every chance of coming on the Commission in the ordinary way.

One

One more point raised was that the Adi-Dravidas were so backward that they might not come forward for elections even if seats were reserved for them and, in that case, there was a chance of these special seats being filled by other Hindus. This will not, however, happen; as, under the rules, if such a contingency ever arises, the vacant place is filled by the Resident appointing a Commissioner and not by election from among the other sections of the Hindu community - vide Section 8(3) of the Bangalore Municipal Law and Rule 12 of the Election Rules.

It will therefore be seen that Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar's proposition was lost, not because the Commissioners ~~who opposed it~~ were generally against reservation of seats for the Depressed Classes, but because they were opposed to any addition to the total number of Hindu seats on the Commission.

Para 44 ante.

A comparative table showing the information asked for by the Resident is prepared and submitted. Adi-Dravidas are included among 'Hindus and others'. Separate figures are not available for this community.

Para 45 ante.

As to the grounds on which Indian Christians were given special representation, please see proceedings of the Municipal Commission dated 1-11-1923 at flag A/1. Mr.Austin, the then Collector and P.M.C., recommended the proposal of the Commission in para 7 of his letter at S.N.75/347A-1903. Both Sir William Barton and Sir Charles Watson (before whom the matter came up for consideration at different stages) were in favour of the proposal, which was accordingly submitted to the Government of India in our letter at S.N.85/347A-03, and approved by them.

S.N.75/347A-03. A/2

*Paras 9,10,16 & 17 of notes at W.

Para

Para 46 ante.

Regarding reservation of seats for the Adi-Dravidas on the Municipal Councils in the Madras Presidency, please see sub-sections (2) to (5) of Section 7 of the Madras District Municipalities Act, 1920, as amended by Section 6 of the Madras District Municipalities (Amendment) Act, 1930. For facility of reference, the amended provisions are reproduced below:-

"Section 7. (1)

(2) All the councillors of every municipality shall be elected.

(3) In any municipality, the Local Government may in their discretion by notification from time to time reserve seats for

(a) Muslims,
(b) Indian Christians,
(c) Adi-Dravidas,
(d) Europeans,
(e) Anglo-Indians, or
(f) Women

and determine the number of such seats:

Provided that the total number of such seats so reserved shall not exceed one-fourth of the strength fixed for the municipal council under sub-section (1):

Provided further that no seat shall be reserved for any of the communities mentioned in clauses (a) to (e) if at the last census such community constituted more than one-half of the total population of the municipality.

(4) In reserving seats for the communities mentioned in clauses (a) to (e) of sub-section (3) the Local Government shall have due regard to their number and importance.

(5) Nothing contained in sub-section (3) shall be deemed to prevent members of any community or women, for whom seats have been reserved thereunder in any municipal council, from standing for election to the non-reserved seats in the council".

Information is not available as to the number of seats reserved for the Adi-Dravidas in accordance with the above provisions and their proportion to the total number of seats in the various municipalities of the Presidency.

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In the Mysore State, representation of Adi-Dravidas and other minority communities on local bodies is secured by Government nominating members of the communities concerned under section 10(1)(b) of the Mysore Municipal Regulation, 1906. An extract from the confidential instructions issued by the Government of Mysore to the Deputy Commissioners of Districts laying down the general principles which should be kept in view in making nominations to local bodies, is reproduced below:-

> " (i) Persons recommended for nomination should ordinarily be such as would represent the following Minority Communities and special interests.
>
> (a) Mahomedans,
> (b) Depressed Classes,
> (c) Where there is a pretty large Christian population, Christians, and
> (d) Special interests such as labour, industries, maternity and childwelfare, etc.
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> (ii) If such community or interest is adequately represented by the elected members, it is unnecessary to recommend nomination to represent such community or interest.
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> (iii) Where there are Associations which are intended to serve the interests mentioned above and which are recognised by the Government in accordance with such rules as may be made in this behalf, the Secretaries of such Associations may be consulted whenever such a course is deemed expedient or necessary.
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> (iv) A person who stands for election and who is not elected should not ordinarily be recommended for nomination and full and adequate reasons should be given if an exception is to be made in the case of such a person."

On the Bangalore City Municipal Council, there are 20 elected councillors and 10 nominated councillors. Of the 10 nominated, one is understood to be a member of the Depressed Classes. The total population of Bangalore City is 1,72,357 of which the Depressed Classes number about 15,000. Similar figures for the Civil and Military Station are 1,34,113 and 27,000.

From page 43)

Class. (1)	Population. (2)	Number of voters. (3)	Number eligible for election as Commissioners. (4)	Number now on the Commission. (5)	Proportion of Commrs. to population. (6)	Proportion of Commrs. to number of voters. (7)	Proportion of Commissioners to number of qualified for election as such. (8)
Hindus & others.	48,855	3,696	182	8	0.01 ($\frac{1}{100}$)	0.22	4.4
Adi-Dravidas.	26,611						
	75,466						
Mohamedans.	28,625	2,244	62	6	0.02 ($\frac{2}{100}$)	0.27	9.7
Indian Christians.	20,344	430	30	1	0.005 ($\frac{1}{2}$/100)	0.23	3.3
Europeans and Anglo-Indians.	9,678	1,356	517	6	0.06 ($\frac{6}{100}$)	0.44	1.2
Total.	1,34,113	7,726	791	21.			

(58)

This Unit puts up a very good unit.
Please see Memo Para 43.

Resident.

(59)

These notes may now be sent o/o to the Collector for an expression of his views on the prayers contained in the penultimate para of the memorial from the Asst-Amildars forwarded by M.R.Ry. B.G. Rajagopal Mudaliar with his letter dated 21.3.1933 to the Secretary to the Resident. The comprehensive statement slipped 11 may be appended to these notes.

1877/33.

The Collector, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore. U.O.

U.O. No. 5266 dated 20th July 1933.

(60) Issues through recommend action as suggested in Para (39) of these notes, namely that the Resident should nominate one suitable Asst-Amildar to be commissioned. If might be adopted, and persons desiring of being nominated might be required to submit their applications like P.R. a knowledge of English (vernacular debate take place)

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.
BANGALORE.
21 JULY 1933
Regd. No. 6328
File. No.

(61) they essential: The choice of
Recorder date the nominated under Rules
be entered when hands of the Cabinet.
If this suggestion be approved, I would
strongly recommend that it take effect
from the commencement of the term
of office of the new Commission after
the elections which fall in November
next year.

21.7.33

Secy Govt

(62) Please see from para (59).
Submitted for orders.

21.VII.33

22.7.33

Secy Govt ?

(63) Resident Refer the last para. of the
memorial. The seats for Hindus are definitely
for Hindus and Others, and at present the Hindu
Dravidas may, if they desire, stand for election
for these seats. I do not think that this
privilege need be denied them in the future.
I think it be desirable to have them as
nominated seat. [They are never likely to
succeed in winning one of these seats, at least
for many years to come.]

27.7.33

Resident ?

(64) I agree with the Collector's recommendations — vide paras 60, 61 & 63 of these notes — that one Audi-Dravida be nominated as an additional Commissioner - for one year in the first instance - by the Resdt in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 8(4) of the Bangalore municipal Law, & that this should not prevent members of this community from voting & standing for election in the general Hindu wards.

(65) This question has been very carefully examined in this office & I consider that the facts brought out in the office notes, paras 21 - 57 of these notes, & the figures in the comparative statement prepared by this office, fully justify this decision.

(66) Secretary might send for some of the Municipalities & inform them of the decision in the matter.

(67) Thereafter, unless it is considered that there is any objection to doing so, which may be brought to my notice, further action may be taken as suggested by the Collector in paras 60 & 61 of these notes.

Secy. 1/8/33

Para (66) ante.

(65)
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If approved, Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar may be asked, with reference to his letter at S.N.7, to see the Secretary with some of the memorialists. A draft is submitted for consideration.

(From para 64)

3-8-33

3.8.33

Secy
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S.N.8
of Coll-(K)

Issued No.5736, dated the 8th August 1933.

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of (K)

Please see from para (64) ante. Mr.Rajagopal Mudaliar has been asked to see the Secretary at 12 Noon tomorrow (the 12th instant) with some

File submitted.

11-8-33

B. G. Rajagopal Moodr,
Vice-President.
S. M. Narasimhaswamy Pillay
C. & M. STATION
MUNICIPAL COMMISSION,
BANGALORE.
Ex. M. & C. Mysore

Secy
12/8

(68)

I have communicated the orders of the Secretary (vide 66 ante) to the above gentlemen. Office will now take action.
12/8

(11)

Paragraph 70 ante.

A draft with reference to the Hon'ble the Resident's Orders at paragraph 67 ante is submitted.

Perhaps it is not necessary to insist that a candidate for nomination should have all the qualifications required of a candidate for election or even that he should be qualified to vote.

It is also for consideration whether the clause insisting on a year's residence in the Station should be retained or deleted.

If approved, the Collector and President, Municipal Commission, may see the draft u.o.

(Para 71 ante)

Sec'y:

Please

The Collector and President Municipal Commission,
- Civil and Military Station, Bangalore. U.O.
U.O.No. 7058 dated 26th August 1933.

No. 21-29/33

To: Thanks. The draft is approved as it stands. Would the Commissioner have some knowledge of the Return and its problems, and one year's residence seems, for this reason, like a desirable qualification.

Sec'y to C.C.

Please see from paragraph 71. For orders whether the draft may issue.

31/8/33

31.8.33

Seen

As amended

S.N.9

Issued No.9121, dated the 11th September 1933.

S.N.10
~~I.U.C.II.~~
of L)

S.N.11
~~I.U.C.II.~~
of L)

Application dated the 21st September 1933, from Mr. S.M. Narainswami Pillay, 91 C. Broadway, Bangalore.

Application from Mr. N. Shanmugam Pillai, The Bangalore Brushware Company, 7E Brigade Road, Bangalore.

S.N.10+11 of (P)

(76) (1) Only two applications have been received with reference to paragraph 2 of S.N.9. The last date for submitting the applications was 1st October 1933.

(77) (2) The applications may, if approved, be forwarded to the Collector, u.o., for favour of remarks.

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5.9.'33

To the Collector, C. & M. Station, Bangalore, u.o.
U. O. No. 9691 dated the 6th October 1933.

(3) Both the applicants are Entitled Graduates We nominated We Commission Suggest that they might be interviewed by the Board, or Secretary to decide which is more capable of taking part in a debate in English.

(4) Should I fix 7.X.33

(5) To please

Secretary to Board

Paragraphs 4 & 5 ante.

Draft submitted below.

12.10.33

12.X.33

Issued No.9858, dated the 14th October 1933.

I have seen both candidates. There is not much to choose but I incline to Mr Haraiscowan Pillay on the ground that he was a member of the Ceylon legislative Council for 3 years. (1924-27).

Resolved.

He may be nominated in due course.

Please see from paragraph 3. The file may, if approved, be sent u.o. to the Collector and President, Municipal Commission, for information.

26.X.33

Why?

Why not issue formal order?

31/10

The term of the present Commissioners expires only on the 30th November 1933 and the names of the new Commissioners will, in the usual course, be notified only towards the end of this month. (The elections are to be held from the 10th to the 24th November 1933). The Resident's orders were that Mr. Narainsawmy Pillay might be nominated in due course and it was, therefore, thought that formal orders might issue at the time we notify the names of elected Commissioners and that the Collector and President, Municipal Commission, may see the Resident's decision in the meanwhile.

There does not, however, appear to be any objection to formal orders being issued at once. Draft submitted.

Issued No. 10758 dt. 21.11.33.

P.U.C.

Letter dated the 16th October 1933, from Mr. S.M. Narainswamy Pillai, 91, Broadway Road, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

Submitted for information.

Mr. S.M. Narainswamy Pillai, the President of the Meeting, is the candidate who has been selected for nomination to the Commission.

P.U.C. may be filed.

S. 11.33

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Sec'y.

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President. 11. 15/11/33

× Exp: being submitted separately

CORRESPONDENCE.

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No.8, Fruit Street,
Civil & Military Station, Bangalore,
27th February 1933.

From

M.R.Ry. B. G. Rajagopal Moodr., Avl.,
Vice-President, Municipal Commission,
Civil and Military Station,
BANGALORE.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

May I request that the Hon'ble the Resident may be pleased to receive a deputation of four members of the Audi-dravida Community and myself as their spokesman to lay before the Hon'ble the Resident the claims of the community for seats to be reserved on the Municipal Commission. As the Commission did not recommend my proposition for seats to the depressed class community, they are very disappointed and would welcome an opportunity to put their case before the Hon'ble the Resident. The deputation would esteem it a great favour, if the Hon'ble the Resident will be pleased to receive it before he leaves the Station for Coorg as it realises the time at his disposal after his return will be very short.

Thanking you in anticipation and hoping to receive a very early reply.

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.
BANGALORE.
28 FEB. 1933
Regd. No. 1994
Dy No. 396/31.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Vice-President.

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No. 2055 Dt 5-3-1933.

From

Secretary to the Resident.

To

M.R.Ry.B.G.Rajagopal Mudaliar, Avl.,
Vice-President, Municipal Comm.,
No.8, Fruit St., C. & M. Stn.,
Bangalore.

Claims of the Adi-Dravidas for special representation on the Municipal Commission.

Sir,

× S.N. 4 ante

With reference to your× letter dated the 27th February, 1933, I am directed to inform you that the Hon'ble the Resident will be glad to receive the deputation at 10 A.M. on Tuesday the 7th March, 1933, at No Rendezvous.

I have etc.,

5.3.33

for SECY. TO THE RESIDENT.

4-3-33

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The main points which this deputation begs to place before the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore are as follows:-

1. That the population of the Civil and Military Station according to 1931 census is 1,34,113 of whom 74,004 are Hindus, 28,625 are Mohammedans, 20,344 are Indian Christians, 9,678 are Anglo-Indians and Europeans and 1,462 are others.

2. That at present there are 6 Anglo-Indian Commissioners, 6 Mohammedan Commissioners, one Indian Christian Commissioner and 8 Hindu Commissioners representing Hindus and others.

3. Among Hindus and others are included the Depressed Classes called the Audi Dravidas who are also Hindus by religion numbering about 30,000.

4. According to the population basis and tax paying capacity the number of Hindu seats on the Commission is very inadequate compared to those of the Anglo-Indians and Mohammedans. The Hindus must equitably have over 14 seats if their population, tax paying capacity and importance are considered.

5. Originally there were only 3 Mohammedan Commissioners and then in the year 1924, a fourth seat was given to the Mohammedans and recently 2 more seats were given to them. A special seat was given to the Indian Christians in the year 1924.

6. Whatever might have been the cause for giving 6 seats for each community at the time when this Municipal Commission came into existence, in these days of advancement in Municipal matters, it is very inequitable that the old order of things should be allowed to continue unaltered according to present conditions and outlook.

7. Communal representation in matters Municipal has been

done away with in the Madras Presidency and in the Mysore State and till such time as the Hon'ble the Resident will be pleased to do away with elections on communal basis in the Station, this deputation respectfully begs that special seats be given to the Audi Dravidas as a protective measure as is done in the Madras Presidency and Mysore State.

8. Though the Audi Dravidas are Hindus and are classed among Hindus and others for purposes of Municipal election, their unfortunate and degraded position in society will not give them any chance of being elected under the present conditions.

9. That degraded position in Society which at present works as a great handicap for their elevation and advancement, makes it absolutely necessary that the Audi Dravidas must have representation on the local and Municipal bodies to give them opportunities to improve their social and civic amenities.

10. The Indian Christians when they were included in Hindus and others before they were given a special seat on the Commission, were never able to capture a seat on the Municipal Commission in open elections.

11. Though the population of Indian Christians is 20,344 according to 1931 Census, a large portion of it is also the depressed classes whose religion is constantly changing from Hinduism to Christianity and vice cersa.

12. That in the Madras Presidency and the Mysore State, the special claims of the Audi Dravidas are recognised in all Municipalities and local bodies, and seats are specifically reserved for them.

13. That this deputation therefore requests the Hon'ble the Resident may be pleased to increase the number of seats on the Commission by at least two and reserve the same for Audi Dravidas, which will raise the number of Hindu seats to ten with 2 reserved for Audi Dravidas.

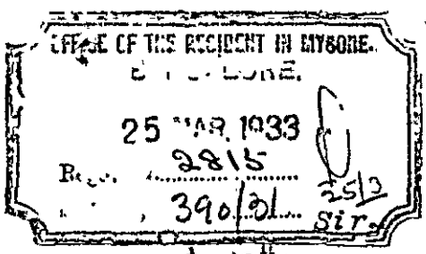
No.8, Fruit Street,

Bangalore, Dated 21st March 1933.

From

M.R.Ry. B. G. Rajagopal Moodr., Avl.,
Vice-President, Municipal Commission,
Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

To



The Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

BANGALORE.

I have the honour to forward, herewith, for the favourable consideration of the Hon'ble the British Resident in Mysore, a Memorial from the Audi-Dravidas of the Station praying for the grant of special representation to their community on the Station Municipal Commission.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

B G Rajagopal

The humble Memorial of the

Audi - Dravidas

of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

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Submitted to the

Honourable the British Resident in Mysore.

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May it please you, Honoured Sir,

The humble Memorial of the Audi-Dravidas of the Civil and Military Station most respectfully begs to submit the following for your very kind consideration:-

1. *That the population of the Civil and Military Station according to 1931 census is 1,34,113 of whom 74,004 are Hindus, 28,625 are Mohammedans, 20,344 are Indian Christians, 9,678 are Anglo-Indians and Europeans and 1,462 are others.*

2. *That at present there are 6 Anglo-Indian Commissioners, 6 Mohammedan Commissioners, one Indian Christian Commissioner and 8 Hindu Commissioners representing Hindus and others.*

3. *That among Hindus and others are included the Depressed Classes called the Audi-Dravidas who are also Hindus by religion numbering about 30,000.*

4. *That according to the population basis and tax paying capacity the number of Hindu seats on the Commission is very inadequate compared to those of the Anglo-Indians and Mohammedans. The Hindus must equitably have over 14 seats if their population, tax paying capacity and importance are considered.*

5. *That originally there were only 3 Mohammedan Commissioners and then in the year 1924, a fourth seat was given to the Mohammedans and recently 2 more seats were given to them. A special seat was given to the Indian Christians in the year 1924.*

6. *That whatever might have been the cause for giving 6 seats for each community at the time when this Municipal Commission came into existence, in these days of advancement in Municipal matters, it is very inequitable that the old order of things should be allowed*

allowed to continue unaltered according to present conditions and outlook.

7. That communal representation in matters Municipal has been done away with in the Madras Presidency and in the Mysore State and till such time as you may be pleased to do away with elections on communal basis in the Station, your memorialists respectfully beg that special seats be given to the Audi-Dravidas as a protective measure as is done in the Madras Presidency and Mysore State.

8. That though the Audi-Dravidas are Hindus and are classed among Hindus and others for purposes of Municipal election, their unfortunate and degraded position in society will not give them any chance of being elected under the present conditions.

9. That the degraded position in Society which at present works as a great handicap for their elevation and advancement, makes it absolutely necessary that the Audi-Dravidas must have representation on the local and Municipal bodies to give them opportunities to improve their social and civic amenities.

10. That the Indian Christians when they were included in Hindus and others before they were given a special seat on the Commission, were never able to capture a seat on the Municipal Commission in open elections.

11. That though the population of Indian Christians is 20,344 according to 1931 census, a large portion of it is also the depressed classes whose religion is constantly changing from Hinduism to Christianity and vice versa.

12. That in the Madras Presidency and the Mysore State, the special claims of the Audi-Dravidas are recognised in

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all Municipalities and local bodies, and seats are specifically reserved for them.

Your memorialists therefore humbly pray that you may be graciously pleased to increase the number of seats on the Commission by at least two and reserve the same for Audi-Dravidas, which will raise the number of Hindu seats to ten with 2 reserved for Audi-Dravidas and that you may further be pleased to continue to give the Audi-Dravidas the right to vote and to stand for election in the general Hindu wards as at present.

For this act of kindness, your humble memorialists and their posterity shall ever feel grateful to you.

We beg to remain,

Honoured Sir,

Your most obedient servants,

T. Narrainsamy Pillai (Head Native)
T. N. Narrainsamy Pillai
Ex M.L.C.

Narrayanasamy Ratnam

M Narrainsamy Pillai -
(Guntoop Ratanè)

N.C. Dorlingam pillay

D. Ramaswamy
D. Ramaswamy

Dr. [illegible] Naidu

T. C. V. Gopala Gurunathan

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P. G. Munisamy Pillai

Narayanaswamy

T. A. Namasivayam Pillay

[illegible]

G. T. Perumal Desai

K. V. Ramdoss.

B. K. Ramisamy

B. N. Chandra

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V. P. Sampangi Das

M. [illegible]

M. Hanumantha

B. N. [illegible]

K. V. Kannicappan

P. Muniswamy

[illegible]

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P. Krishnaraja

[illegible]

M. Doomanaswamy

M. Jagannadham.

G. Narainsawmy

[illegible]

V. Thirugavelu Pundithan

M. C. Vadivelu

N°. 5736
8/8/33

From

Secretary to the Resident.

To

H.R.Rj
Mr. B.G.Rajagopal Moodr., Avl.,
Vice-President, Municipal
Commission, No.8, Fruit St.,
C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

Memorial of the Adi-Dravidas for special representation on the Municipal Commission.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 21st March 1933, forwarding a memorial from the Adi-Dravidas of the Station praying for the grant of special representation to their community on the Station Municipal Commission, I am directed to request you kindly to see me, with some of the memorialists, at 12 noon on the 12 August 1933, at my office, when I will inform them of the Hon'ble the Resident's decision in the matter.

I have etc.,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

S.N.7 P.W.C. audt

× To be kindly filled in by Secy.

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Urgent

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE

No.9121 Dated Bangalore, the 11th Sept.,1933.

O R D E R.

The Hon'ble the Resident, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 8(4) of the Bangalore Municipal Law, is pleased to decide that a suitable member of the Adi-Dravida community of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore shall be nominated by him as an Additional Commissioner of the Municipal Commission, the period being for one year in the first instance, and that such nomination shall not prevent members of the Adi-Dravida community from voting and standing for election in the General Hindu wards as at present. This decision shall take effect from the commencement of the tenure of office of the new Commission after the elections to be held in November this year.

2. Members of the Adi-Dravida community desirous of being nominated as an additional Commissioner in accordance with the above orders are required to submit their applications to the Secretary to the Hon'ble the Resident by the 1st October 1933.

In order to be qualified for nomination as a Commissioner, a person must:-

(a) have completed his twenty-fifth year;

(b) have a sufficient knowledge of the English language to be able to speak to a motion or to follow debates in that language; and

(c)

(h) is in arrears of any taxes due to the Municipal Commission at the time of the application.

Q.4.33

for SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

To be published in the next issue of the Mysore Residency Orders.

" the President, Municipal Commission, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, for information.

" the Collector, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

Copy with compliments to the;-

Editor "The Daily Post", Bangalore.

The Representative "The Hindu", Bangalore.

The Representative, Associated Press of India, Bangalore.

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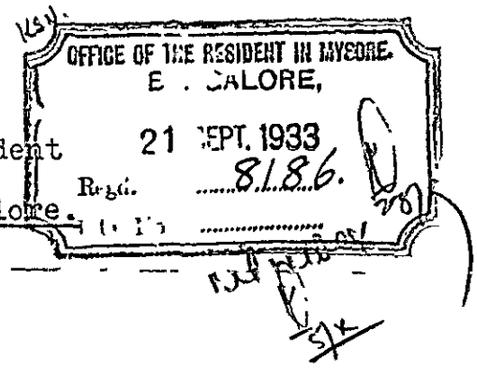
91, C. Broadway,
C & M Station, Bangalore,
Dated. 21-9-1933.

To

The Secretary,
to the Hon'ble the British Resident
in Mysore, Bangalore.



Sir,

With reference to your notification calling for applications for nomination of an Audi Dravida Municipal commissioner for the C & M Station, Bangalore, I beg to offer myself as a candidate.

I beg to state I am able to speak to a motion in English and to follow debates in that language. I was a nominated member of the Mysore Legislative Council and a member of the managing committe of the Narasimma Raja Audi Dravida hostel. I am the president of the Brama Vidyadana Sabah at Shoolay, .. under the auspices of which a free night school for the Audi-dravidas is conducted. I was also one of the deputationist who waited on the Hon'ble the Resident in March 1933, requesting him to give representation for the Audi Dravidas on the .. Municipal commission, C & M-Station.

If the Hon'ble the British Resident is pleased to nominate me, I shall always aim at promoting the cause of the Audi-Dravidas by law-abiding and constitutional methods.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
S. M. Narasimhaiya

Bangalore,
21 - 9 - 1933.

AWARDED GOLD MEDAL AT THE MYSORE ALL INDIA EXHIBITION 1931

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Nearest Railway Station—BANGALORE CANTT

7 E, Brigade Road,
Bangalore 26th September 1933

OFFICE OF THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.
BANGALORE.
27 SEPT. 1933
Regd. No. 8381
File No.
Please Refer to No.

To

The Secretary to the Hon'ble Resident in Mysore,
Civil and Military Station,
Bangalore.

Sir,

With reference to the Proceedings of the Hon'ble Resident in Mysore dated 11th September 1933, I beg to be nominated as an additional Commissioner of the Municipal Commission to represent the Adi Dravidas community in the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

The following are my qualifications:-

(1) I am an Adi Dravida.

(2) My age is 52.

(3) I have studied up to Matriculation Class and can speak and write English very well.

(4) I have been a resident of the Station since I was born.

(5) I am a Brushware Merchant carrying on my business within the Station Limits.

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Nearest Railway Station—BANGALORE CANTT

Please Refer to
No.....

7E, Brigade Road,
Bangalore..... 193 .

(6) I have been working for the uplift of the Depressed Classes in general for the past about 30 years and have been the Secretary of the Sabah named Siva Nesa Thirukootam in Shoolay since 1899.

(7) I own a house in Yellagowden Palayam valued at about R$2,000/- and pay a house Tax of R$18-7-6 per annum. I also pay a rent of R$240/- per annum for my business place on 7/E Brigade Road, Bangalore.

(8) I am also on the list of Assessors to place at the disposal of the Court of Sessions at Bangalore Civil and Military Station. My last attendance was in August 1932.

(9) Finally I beg to mention that my Grand-Father Ramasawmy Pillay who was a very wealthy man at the time did as much as he could to elevate the position of the Adi Dravidas. So much so, he had constructed a Tank in the village of Koramangalam (subarb of Bangalore) near Vannarpet and the tank is still known as "Ramasawmy'S Tank".

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78, Brigade Road,
Bangalore..... 193 .

(10) I am not in arrears of my house taxes.

For which act of kindness, I shall ever be thankful.

I beg to remain,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

V. Shanmugam Pillai

(V. Shanmugam Pillai)

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Draft.

No 9858 14th Oct. 1933

From

The Secretary to the Resident.

To

S.M. Narainswamy Pillai, Esq.,
91, C. Broadway, C.& M Station,
Bangalore.

N. Shunmugham Pillai, Esq.,
c/o The Bangalore Brushware Co.,
7 E, Brigade Road,
Bangalore.

Subject: Nomination of a member of the Adi-Dravida community as an Additional Commissioner of the Municipal Commission.

Sir,

With reference to your application dated the 21st September 1933, / 26th September 1933, I am directed to request you kindly to see me in my office at 11 a.m. on 17th October 1933.

S.N.10 auth-
S.N.11 auth

I have etc.,

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

14/10/33

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Draft.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE HON'BLE THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

No.10758. Dated 21st Nov:1933

ORDER.

Under Section 13 of the Bangalore Municipal Law, 1897, it is hereby notified that, under the provisions of Section 8(4) of the said Law, the Hon'ble the Resident has been pleased to nominate Mr. S.M. Narainswamy Pillai, 91 C, Broadway, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, to be an Additional Commissioner of the Municipal Commission of the Civil and Military Station of Bangalore, for a period of one year from the 1st December 1933, to represent the Adi-Dravida community.

SECRETARY TO THE RESIDENT.

To S.P.

S.M. Narainsawmy Pillay, Esq.,
91 C, Broadway, C & M. Station,
Bangalore.

To be published in the next issue of the Mysore Residency Orders.

the President, Municipal Commission C & M. Station, Bangalore, for information.

(P.T.O)

To the Collector, Civil and Military Station, Bangalore.

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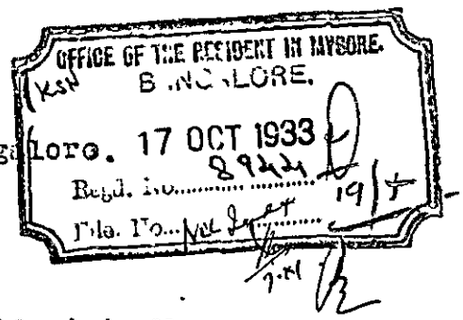
Bangalore,

16th October 1933.

From

S.M.Narainsamy Pillay,
91, Broadway Road,
C & M Station, Bangalore.



To,

The Secretary,

to the Hon.The British Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to forward the following Resolution which was passed at a public meeting of the Audi Dravidas held on the 15th October 1933.

I shall thank you to submit the same to the Honourable the British Resident.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

S.M. Narainsamy Pillay

President of the Meeting.

Resolution.

The Audi Dravida Community assembled at a public meeting this 15th day of October 1933 at the Hindu Audi Dravida Free School, Shoolay, Bangalore, begs to express its heartfelt gratitude to the Hon'ble the British Resident in Mysore for having pleased to sanction a special seat in the C & M Station Municipal Commission for the Audi Dravidas, and prays that the said seat though provisionally sanctioned for one year, may kindly be made permanent like the seats allotted for other communities.

Issue Branch.

Please take extracts of ~~Xxxxx~~ para.6 of the memo. at flag 'N' and paras.49, 70, ~~xxx~~ 77 and 81 of the office notes in the file placed below. The extracts are for the use of J.C .

12.11.46

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(a) Jagadeesan's costs is one of the BOMs.

(b) Selection of assessors is a matter to be decided by the DM as & when a joint meeting — after duly notifying the date of meeting. DM will bear this in mind when next selection is to be made.

16 DMs will also be considered when vacancies arise

A draft ~~letter~~ after consulting also the D.M. in regard to points calling for ~~those~~ the comments of the ~~Cttee~~ D.M. ~~are~~ is below.

Draft reply:

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~~in out of the present~~
~~no of seats, whether~~
~~new seats~~

The only alternatives, if the Sch. classes do not want the nominated seat, is to reserve a certain number of seats out of those allotted to the Hindus, ~~by increasing the number of~~ ~~seats so that the Hindu members voting~~ ~~strength would not be affected~~ ~~Congress it may be worth while to place~~ ~~this G.O. proposition before the Comm.~~ ~~for such elections~~ ~~to reconsider his decision in the case of his community.~~

Para 13.

~~The only alternative to the present nominated~~
~~Seat — If nomination is discontinued the~~ ~~Hindus~~
~~Hindus would certainly lose~~ ~~at least~~ one seat ~~to the Muslims~~ ~~if the present~~ ~~nominated seat is not reserved for S.C.~~ ~~Hindus~~ ~~Muslims~~ ~~Hindus~~ ~~Muslims~~ ~~Hindus~~ ~~Muslims

25 The suggestion is premature and the question is an all-India one.

26. D.S.M. All we can do is to legislate for restricting the interest charged, and the matter is under the active Consideration of the C.P. Even then it is doubtful if the problem can be solved, in view of the many subterfuges possible when the debtor himself is willing to be a party to them.

27. I.S.

28. It is not a sound principle to make lump sum grants without specific Specified Schemes of expenditure.

Paras 16, 21, 22 & 27 are for the Comments of the I.S., and the file may be sent to him.